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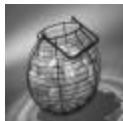
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged. Elsewhere, regional prices were higher on all weights when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone was steady to fully steady, occasionally firm. Demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced for immediate trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were barely sufficient to adequate for the light to good demand. Light type hens were sufficient to about adequate for a fair to mostly moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was good to very good. Food service sales were moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to usually in close balance. Central States breaking prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the mostly light demand. Floor stocks were tight to adequate. Schedules were reduced for the holiday. Trade sentiment generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	
			RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	90-99	93-96	LARGE 71-80	75
LARGE	89-98	91-94	MEDIUM 49-55	53
MEDIUM	67-76	69-72	SMALL 23-27	

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment ranged steady to fully steady, instances firm. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were adequate to close for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were barely adequate to adequate for a moderate to good demand. Spent hens were adequate to about adequate for normal to less than normal schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	95-109	98-102
LARGE	92-106	97-101
MEDIUM	68-81	73-75

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was good to very good. Food service movement was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the mostly light demand. Floor stocks were tight to adequate. Schedules were reduced for the holiday. Trade sentiment generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99.5-108	101-104
LARGE	98.5-107	100-103
MEDIUM	71.5-80	73-76

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all weights when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Distributive and retail demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were adequate to in close balance. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to barely sufficient for the moderate to good demand. Spent hens were sufficient to about adequate for the fair to mostly moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	85.25-104	98-101
LARGE	83.25-102	96-99
MEDIUM	56.25-78	71-75

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged when compared to Friday's values. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady entering the week. Demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were in close balance to adequate for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	106-110
LARGE	104-108
MEDIUM	80-84

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	97-105	98-100
LARGE	95-103	96-98
MEDIUM	73-81	74-76

WESTERN Prices 4-5 cents higher on jumbo, 5 cents higher on extra large, 9 cents higher on large, and 12 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 22% lower than last Monday with California down 18% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 29%. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices 5 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 9 cents higher on large, and 12 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 18% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 91.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	141
EXTRA LARGE	140
LARGE	134
MEDIUM	111

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	279-309	JUMBO	
LARGE	249-309	EXTRA LARGE	Not
LARGE	199-279	LARGE	Available
MEDIUM	189-229	MEDIUM	

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending November 24, 2006 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending November 17, 2006 were 361,335 cases which was 4 percent above the prior week and 3 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	321,138	40,197	361,335

% change from the prior week.....	+6	-9	+4

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Demand was mostly light with offerings adequate in most areas. Floor stocks were tight to adequate for reduced schedules due to the upcoming holiday. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	39-45	42-43
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	30-37	32-34
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced for the holiday wee. Dressed sales were fair. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 20-NOV-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7.75 CENTS/LB.		4.76

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to about moderate for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were light due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 20-NOV-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7 CENTS/LB.		4.49

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 06, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 06, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- NOVEMBER 20, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO Cent	SO Cent	SO Atl	5-Area Pacific	
Jumbo	Northeast	Curr Wk	9.0	21.7	9.5	9.6	13.7
		Change	0.1	-3.6	-2.1	-2.8	-0.7
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.4	56.9	10.0	23.2	42.3	159.8
	Change	-0.9	1.1	-3.8	-1.1	-10.5	-9%
Large	Curr Wk	49.9	113.5	71.3	92.2	96.4	423.3
	Change	-4.8	-25.9	-27.9	-18.4	-39.8	-22%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.1	38.7	19.7	14.2	31.6	115.3
	Change	0.1	-5.9	-0.3	-3.3	-5.9	-12%
Small	Curr Wk	5.3	6.3	1.9	2.9	3.1	19.5
	Change	-1.4	-1.1	1.4	-0.9	-0.4	-11%
Misc	Curr Wk	7.7	33.3	12.7	10.0	6.0	69.7
	Change	4.2	0.1	4.6	-1.8	-1.1	9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	14.0	32.8	13.8	21.3	21.0	102.9
	Change	-3.2	-10.7	-3.6	-11.7	-1.7	-23%
Total	Curr Wk	124.4	303.2	138.9	173.4	214.1	954.0
Percent	Change	-5%	-13%	-19%	-19%	-22%	-16%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	954.0	-16%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	188.2	-6%	34
Total Shell Egg	1142.2	-15%	199

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 165 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 17, 2006

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
9.75								22.50								32.25							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	76.50	—		78.00	79.00	—	8.00	GNR W 1	—	83.00	—	—	—	—	4.25	GNR W 1	—	83.00	—	—	—	—	4.25
GNR W 3	—	—		53.50	55.00	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	75.00	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	75.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	
GL W XL	—	74.00		88.00	90.00	66.00	3.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	
GL W LG	—	—		—	—	—	5.00	GL W MD	45.50	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL W MD	45.50	—	—	—	—	51.00	2.00	
GL BR XL	—	—		—	—	109.00	.25	GL BR LG	—	—	—	97.00	99.00	1.75	GL BR LG	—	—	—	97.00	99.00	104.00	1.75	
GL BR LG	—	—		—	—	85.00	1.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—		—	—	—	10.00																

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/13/06-11/17/06

CURRENT LOADS 65.25								FUTURE LOADS 84.50				TOTAL LOADS 149.75							
SE				NE		MW		SC				NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS				
GNR W 1	72.50	76.57	74.33	75.61	—	72.29	79.00	GNR W 1	—	81.60	—	—	—	—	22.25				
GNR W 2	—	79.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W J	63.14	—	—	—	—	72.18	2.75				
GNR W 3	—	—	53.50	55.67	—	—	5.00	GL W XL	56.00	76.00	—	—	—	74.50	7.00				
GL W J	—	—	87.00	88.50	55.50	—	3.00	GL W LG	—	89.54	—	93.33	93.00	90.06	26.25				
GL W XL	—	77.13	84.33	85.64	65.56	71.00	27.25	GL W MD	50.83	57.33	—	—	—	58.04	11.25				
GL W LG	85.00	84.00	76.50	82.24	71.29	87.21	47.00	GL BR XL	—	101.25	—	—	—	—	.50				
GL W MD	67.00	58.00	46.00	48.00	50.05	58.79	13.75	GL BR LG	—	99.25	—	97.00	99.00	105.50	3.00				
GL W SM	38.00	41.00	35.00	37.17	—	—	4.00												
GL BR XL	—	—	91.00	—	—	106.00	1.00												
GL BR LG	—	—	89.00	—	85.00	102.00	2.50												
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	37.00	41.57	25.00												
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	41.00	44.00	3.00												

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	11/13/06	11/06/06	11/14/05
PACIFIC COAST	0	0	141
LOS ANGELES	0	0	135

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small; higher on the balance. Supplies are close to tight. Retail demand is good to very good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	113.86
LARGE	112.86
MEDIUM	88.86
SMALL	62.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 - 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 142	125 - 128

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Egg Quality Control

Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation

Report Period: 11/12/2006 - 11/18/2006

State	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Number Cases Shipped To Central CA	Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	3,852	3,852
Arkansas	0	0	1,572	1,572
Colorado	0	0	972	972
Iowa	5,360	1,620	45,789	52,769
Maine	0	0	780	780
Michigan	0	3,151	4,890	8,041
Minnesota	4,790	1,390	13,201	19,381
Missouri	0	0	9,554	9,554
North Carolina	780	660	6,253	7,693
Ohio	0	0	2,950	2,950
Oregon	2,339	1,140	0	3,479
South Dakota	0	0	615	615
Texas	0	0	780	780
Utah	1,418	610	5,640	7,668
Washington	0	210	0	210
Wisconsin	0	0	56	56
Grand Total	14,687	8,781	96,904	120,372
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	14,687	8,781	96,904	120,372